IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI NORTHERN DIVISION

TRUE THE VOTE, et al.

PLAINTIFFS

V.

CIVIL ACTION NO.: 3:14-CV-532-NFA

THE HONORABLE DELBERT HOSEMANN, in his official capacity, as Secretary of State for the State of Mississippi, *et al.*,

DEFENDANTS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF LAUDERDALE

AFFIDAVIT OF JEFF TATE

COMES NOW the undersigned, Jeff Tate, being duly sworn, states on her oath as follows:

- 1. I am over the age of 21 years, have personal knowledge and am competent to testify regarding the matters contained herein.
- I am a duly elected Election Commissioner for Lauderdale County,
 Mississippi. I am the current Chairman of the Lauderdale County Election Commission.
- 3. On or about July 8, 2014, Lauderdale County Circuit Clerk Donna Jill Johnson requested that I assist her in preparing a response to a written records request submitted by John and Karen Hobson. Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is a true and correct copy of such records request. The request was dated July 7, 2014. I was not in the office on July 7, 2014 when the request was submitted.



- 4. I understood that the Hobsons had submitted a personal check in the amount of \$100.00 for payment in advance for completion of the records request. I understood that the Hobsons' check was being held until such time as the written records request was fulfilled.
- 5. In response to the records request, I utilized the Statewide Election
 Management System (SEMS) to generate four electronic files (Excel spreadsheets), which
 contained all of the information requested by Mr. and Mrs. Hobson in their records
 request.¹ On Thursday, July 17, 2014, I spoke by telephone with Mr. John Hobson to
 ascertain whether he wanted to receive the electronic files on a disk by U. S. mail to his
 address or whether he wanted the electronic files sent by email only to the email address
 listed on the records request. Mr. Hobson informed me that he did not want the disk, but
 rather the electronic files should only be emailed to the address which was included on
 the records request, that being taylor.phillips1@gmail.com.
- 6. On Thursday, July 17, 2014 with the assistance of counsel, I completed the response to the records request by having the four Excel spreadsheets emailed to taylor.phillips1@gmail.com in full and final response to the Hobsons' request for public records. Attached hereto as Exhibits "2", "3", "4", and "5" are the first pages from each of the Excel spreadsheets which were emailed to taylor.phillips1@gmail.com at the

¹In Lauderdale County, access to SEMS is controlled by the Lauderdale County Circuit Clerk. The Circuit Clerk has previously authorized me to have access to SEMS. As a result, I was able to assist the Circuit Clerk in responding to the Hobson's records request.

request of Mr. John Hobson. It takes approximately 4,697 pages to print the four Excel spreadsheets in landscape format.

7. Attached to the Hobsons' request is a page containing a typed description of specific documents requested, as follows:

Electronic file from the June 3rd Primary (By Precinct)

- -List of all the Republican Voters who voted by Precinct:
 - -in person on Election Day
 - -via absentee ballot
- -List of all of the Democratic Voters who voted by Precinct:
 - -in person on Election Day
 - -via absentee ballot

Electronic file from the June 24th Runoff (By Precinct)

- -List of all the Republican Voters who voted by Precinct:
 - -in person on Election Day
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The four Excel spreadsheets produced on July 17, 2014 included all of the information requested. In their written request, the Hobsons did not request copies of any other documents including poll books, absentee ballot applications, absentee voting envelopes, voter registration applications, federal post card applications, absentee ballots, or any

other type of voter registration materials.

- 8. As Exhibits "2", "3", "4" and "5" confirm, each spreadsheet includes each voter's name, address, distinct voter identification number, precinct, and party primary in which the person voted. Two of the four spreadsheets also include each voter's effective registration date. There are two spreadsheets for the June 3, 2014 primary election and two spreadsheets for the June 24, 2014 primary runoff election.
- 9. At no time during my telephone conversation with John Hobson did he ask for a copy of any poll book or pages from any poll book.
- 10. To this day, I have received no complaint or concern, whether written or oral, from the Hobsons or any other person claiming that the actual response to the Hobsons' request was inadequate.
- 11. To my knowledge, since July 7, 2014, no representative of the True The Vote has returned to either the office of the Lauderdale County Circuit Clerk or the office of the Lauderdale County Election Commission.

12. This concludes my Affidavit.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, this the 6^{th} day of August, 2014.

My Commission Expires: 1-13-2016

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MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO LAUDERDALE COUNTY GENERAL FUND WITH THIS FORM ATTACHED AND RETURN TO THE CIRCUIT CLERK OFFICE OR MAIL TO P O BOX 1005, MERIDIAN MS 39302-1005. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CALL THE CIRCUIT CLERKS OFFICE AT (601) 482-9731. REQUEST WILL BE COMPLIED WITHIN 7 DAYS.

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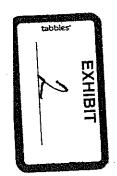
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